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In Re	U.S. Continuation-In-Part Patent Application of: THOMAS G. SISKA)
For:	LOAN PRODUCT AND COLLABORATIVE SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING AND MONITORING A FINANCIAL PRODUCT	,))) _\

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This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/813,745 filed March 21, 2001. U.S. Patent Application No. 09/813,745 is hereby incorporated herein by reference, and made a part hereof.

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- $_{\mathbf{X}}$ Specification, Claims and Abstract containing 31 pages.
- _X_ Six (6) Sheets of Formal Drawings (FIGS. 1A-3B).

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